

# LAHOMA

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## CHAPTER XVIII.

"Who killed Red Kimball?"

"O NE day," Lahoma resumed, "Brick saw a white man with some Indians standing near that grave. He couldn't imagine what they meant to do, so he hid, thinking them after him. Years afterward Red Feather explained why they came that evening to the pile of stones. The white man was Mr. Gledware. After Red Kimball's gang captured the wagon train Mr. Gledware escaped, married Red Feather's daughter and lived with the Indians. He'd married immediately to save his life, and the tribe suspected he meant to leave Indian Territory at the first chance. Mr. Gledware, great coward, was terrified night and day lest the suspicions of the Indians might finally cost him his life.

"It wasn't ten days after the massacre of the emigrants till he decided to give a proof of good faith. Too great a coward to try to get away and caring too much for his wife's rich lands to want to leave, he told about the pearl and onyx pin. He said he wanted to give it to Red Flower. A pretty good Indian Red Feather was—true friend of mine. He wouldn't rob graves! But he said he'd take Mr. Gledware to the place, and if he got that pin they'd all know he meant to live among them forever. That's why the band was standing there when Brick Willock looked from the mountain top. Mr. Gledware dug up the body after the Indians had rolled away the stones—the body of his wife—my mother—the body whose face Brick Willock wouldn't look at in his helplessness of death. Mr. Gledware is the principal witness against Brick. If you don't feel what kind of man he is from what I've said nobody could explain it to you."

From several of the silent listeners burst involuntary denunciations of Gledware, while on the faces of others showed a momentary gleam of horror. Red Kimball's confidential spoke loudly, harshly. "But who killed Red Kimball and his pard and the stage driver if it wasn't Brick Willock?" "I think it was Red Feather's band. I'm witness to the fact that Kimball agreed to bring Mr. Gledware the pearl and onyx pin on condition that Mr. Gledware appear against Brick. After Mr. Gledware deserted Red Flower, or rather, after her death, Red Feather carried that pin about him. Mr. Gledware knew he'd never give it up alive. He was always afraid the Indian would find him, and at last he did find him. But Red Kimball got the pin. Could that mean anything except that Kimball discovered the Indian's hiding place and killed him? But for that, I'd think it Red Feather who attacked the stage and killed Red Kimball. As it is, I believe it must have been his friends."

"Now you've said something!" cried Mizoo. "Boys, don't you think it's a reasonable explanation?" "Some of them did, evidently, for the grim resolution on their faces softened. Others, however, were unconvinced. A stern voice was raised: "Let Brick Willock come do his own explaining. Bill Atkins knows where he's hiding out—and we got to know. We've started in to be a law abiding county, and that that warrant against Willock has got the right of way."

"You've no warrant against Bill," cried Wilfred, stepping to the edge of the platform, "therefore you've violated the law in faking him up."

"That's so," exclaimed Red Kimball's former comrade. "Well, turn 'im loose, that's what we ask—let him go—open the jail door!"

"He's locked up for his own safety," shouted Mizoo. "You fellows agree to leave him alone, and I'll turn him out quick enough. You talk about the law—what you want to do to Bill ain't overly lawful, I take it."

"If he gives up his secret we ain't going to handle him rough," was the quick retort.

Lahoma found that the softening influence she had exerted was already fast dissipating. They bore with her merely because of her youth and sex. She cried out desperately.

"Is there nothing I can say to move your hearts? Has my story of that pearl and onyx pin been lost on you? Couldn't you understand, after all? Are you western men and yet unable to feel the worth of a western man like Brick? How he clothed me and sheltered me when the man who should have supported the child left in his care neglected her. How he taught me and was always tender and gentle—never a cross word—a man like that! And you think he could kill? I don't know whether Bill was told his hiding place or not. But if I knew it, do you think I'd tell? And if Bill betrayed him—but Bill wouldn't do it. Thank God, I've been raised with real men, men that know how to stand by each other and be true to the death. You want Bill to turn traitor. I say, what kind of men are you?"

She turned to Wilfred, blinded by hot

tears. "Oh, say something to them!" she gasped, clinging to his arm.

"Go on," murmured Wilfred. "I couldn't reach 'em, and you give 'em a point that time. Go on—don't give 'em a chance to think."

"But I can't—I've said all I had to say."

"Don't stop, dear, for God's sake—the case is desperate! You'll have to do it—for Bill!"

"And that isn't all," Lahoma called in a broken, pathetic voice, as she turned her pale face upon the curious crowd. "That isn't all. You know Brick and Bill have been all I had—all in this world. You know they couldn't have been sweeter to me if they'd been the nearest of kin—they were more like women than men, somehow, when they spoke to me and sat with me in the dugout; and I guess I know a little about a mother's love, because I've always had Brick and Bill. But one day somebody else came to the cave, and this somebody else—well—he—this somebody else wants to marry me—to-day. This was the end of our journey," she went on blindly, "and—and it is our wedding day. I thought there must be some way to get Brick to the wedding, but you see how it is. And—and we'll have to marry without him. But Bill's here—in that jail—because he wouldn't betray his friend. And I couldn't marry without either Brick or Bill, could I?"

She took her quivering hand from Wilfred's sturdy arm, and moving to the top of the steps, held out her trembling arms appealingly:

"Men! Give me Bill!"

The crowd was with her, now. No doubt of that. All fierceness gone, tears here and there, broad grins to hide deep emotion, open admiration, touched with tenderness, in the eyes that took in her shy flowerlike beauty.

"You shall have Bill!" shouted the spokesman of the crowd. And other voices cried, "Give her Bill! Give her Bill!"

"Bring him out!" continued the spokesman in stentorian tones. "We'll not ask him a question. Fellows, clear a path for 'em."

A broad lane was formed through the throng of smiling men whom the sudden, unexpected light of love had softened markedly.

While Mizoo hastened to Bill's cell, some one exclaimed, "Invite us too. Make it a town wedding!"

And another started the shout, "Hurrah for Lahoma!"

Lahoma, who had taken refuge behind Wilfred's protection, wept and laughed in a racy glow of triumphant joy.

Mizoo presently reappeared, leaving the door wide open. He walked to the stairs, the wrinkles at the corners of his eyes deep cut with appreciation of the situation. "Fellows," he called, "he says you carried him in there, and dined if you won't have to carry him out, for not a step will be taken!"

At this unexpected development a burst of laughter swelled into a roar. After that mighty merriment, Bill was as safe as a babe. Twenty volunteers pressed forward to carry the wedding guest from his cell. And when the old man slowly but proudly followed Wilfred and Lahoma to the hotel where certain preparations were to be made—particularly as touching Bill's personal appearance—the town of Mangum began gathering at the newly erected church whither they had been invited.

When the four friends—for Mizoo joined them—drove up to the church door in the only carriage available, Bill descended stiffly, his eyes gleaming fiercely from under snowy locks, as if daring any one to ask him a question about Brick. But nobody did.

The general suspicion that Bill Atkins knew more about Brick Willock than he had revealed, was not without foundation; though the extent of his knowledge was more limited than the town supposed. Bill had carried to his friend—hidden in the crevice in the mountain top—the news of Red Kimball's death; since then, they had not seen each other.

Skulking along wooded gullies by day, creeping down into the cave at night, Willock had unconsciously reverted to the habits of thought and action belonging to the time of his outlawry. He was again, in spirit, a highwayman, though his hostility was directed only against those seeking to bring him to justice. The softening influence of the years spent with Lahoma was no longer apparent in his shifting bloodshot eyes, his crouching shoulders, his furtive hand ever ready to snatch the weapon from concealment. This sinister aspect of wildness, intensified by straggling whiskers and uncombed locks, gave to his giant form a kinship to the huge grotesquely shaped rocks among which he had made his den.

He heard of Red Kimball's death with bitter disappointment. He had hoped to encounter his former chief, to grapple with him, to hurl him, perhaps, from the precipice overlooking Bill's former home. If in his fall, Kimball, with arms wound about his waist, had dragged him down to the same death, what matter? Though his enemy was now no more, the sheriff held the warrant for his arrest—as if the dead man could still strike a mortal blow. The sheriff might be overcome—he was but a man. That piece of paper calling for his arrest—an arrest that would mean, at best, years in the penitentiary—had behind it the whole state of Texas.

To Willock's feverish imagination, the warrant became personified; a mysterious force, not to be destroyed by material means; it was not only paper, but spirit. And it had come between him and Lahoma. It had shut him off from the possibility of a peaceful old age. The cave was no longer

home but a hiding place.

He did not question the justice of this sequel to his earlier life. No doubt deeds of long ago, never punished, demanded a sacrifice. He hated the agents of this justice not so much because they threatened his liberty, his life, as because they stepped in between himself and Lahoma. Always a man of expedients, he now sought some way of frustrating justice, and naturally his plans took the color of violence. Denied the savage joy of killing Red Kimball—and he would have killed him with as little compunction as if he had been a wolf—his thoughts turned toward Gledware.

Gledware was the only witness of the deed for which the warrant demanded his arrest. Willock wished many of his other deeds had been prompted by impulses as generous as those which had led to Kansas Kimball's death. Perhaps it was the irony of justice that he should be threatened by the one act of bloodshed which had saved Lahoma's life. If he must be hanged or imprisoned because he had not, like the rest of the band, given himself up for official pardon it was as well to suffer from one deed as from another. But it would be better still, as in the past, to escape all consequences. Without Gledware they could prove nothing.

Would Gledware testify now that Red Kimball, who had bought his testimony with the death of the Indian, no longer lived to exact payment? Willock felt sure he would. In the first place, Gledware had placed himself on record as a witness, hence could hardly retreat; in the second place, he would doubtless be anxious to rid himself of the danger of ever meeting Willock, whom his conscience must have caused him to hate with the hatred of the man who wrongs his benefactor.

Willock transferred all his rage against the dead enemy to the living. He reminded himself how Gledware had caused the death of Red Feather, not in the heat of fury or in blind terror, but in cold blooded bargaining. He meditated on Gledware's attitude toward Lahoma. He thought nothing good of him, he magnified the evil. That scene at the grave of his wife and Red Feather's account of how he had dug up the body for a mere pin of pearl and onyx—ought such a creature to live to condemn him, to bring sorrow on the granddaughter he had basely refused to acknowledge?

To wait for the coming of the witness would be to lose an opportunity that might never recur. Willock would go to him. In doing so, he would not only take Gledware by surprise, but would leave the only neighborhood in which search would be made for himself. Thus it came about that while the environs of the cave were being minutely examined Brick, riding his fastest pony, was on the way to Kansas City.

He reached Kansas City without unusual incident, where he was accepted naturally as a product of the west. Had his appearance been twice as unclean, twice as wild, it would have accorded all the better with western superstitions that prevailed in this city, fast forgetting that it had been a western outpost. At the hotel, whose situation he knew from Lahoma's letters, he learned that Gledware was neither there, nor at his home in the country. The country house was closed up and, in fact, there was a rumor that it was sold, or was about to be sold. One of the porters happened to know that Gledware had gone for a week's diversion down in the Ozarks. There were a lake, a clubhouse, a dancing hall, as yet unopened. The season was too early for the usual crowd at Ozark lodge, but the warm water that nearly always came at this time of year had prompted a sudden outing party which might last no longer than the warm wave.

To be Continued

## COMMISSIONER'S SALE.

Breckinridge Circuit Court, Kentucky.  
Bank of Hardinsburg & Trust Co., Plaintiff.

Against David F. Brown and Mary F. Brown, Defendants.

By virtue of a Judgment and Order of Sale of Breckinridge Circuit Court, rendered at October Term thereof, 1915, in the above cause, for the sum of \$600.00 (Six Hundred and Ninety-nine Dollars) with interest at the rate of 6 per cent per annum from the 4th day of October, 1910, until paid, and all costs herein, I shall proceed to offer for sale at the courthouse door in Hardinsburg, to the highest bidder, at public auction, on

Monday, the 27th day of December, 1915.

at one o'clock p. m., or thereafter (being County Court day), upon a credit of six months, the following described property, to-wit:

"A certain tract of parcel of land, situated, lying and being in Breckinridge county, Kentucky, on the waters of Tull's Creek, known as the Dye tract, containing 240 acres or more or less; and was conveyed to one John Slaton by John A. Osborn and wife, on the 9th day of March, 1891, to the said Slaton by Slaton. There is excepted from said tract, three acres heretofore sold to Jo Mattingly. In the above named tract is included a part of a tract conveyed to Adrian Norton by R. B. Basham, see deed book x, 12, 191; and lies on the west side of the Hardinsburg and Leitchfield road and which is not included in this deed from said Norton to J. A. Davis. See deed book 26, page 213, and is the same land conveyed to D. H. and L. L. Brown by V. C. Babbage, commissioner, on behalf of John Slaton and Jennie Slaton, his wife, by deed dated the 14th day of February, 1895, and recorded in the clerk's office of the Breckinridge county court in commissioner's deed book No. 3, page 390. By

deed dated the 3rd day of October, 1910, the said L. L. Brown and his wife, conveyed his undivided one-half interest in and to the said land to the mortgagee herein, D. H. Brown, this completes the title to the said land in him; which deed is recorded in the clerk's office of the Breckinridge county court in deed book No. 60, page 245," or sufficient thereof to produce the sums of money so ordered to be made. For the purchase price, the purchaser, with approved surety or securities must execute bond, bearing legal interest from the day of sale until paid, and having the force and effect of a judgment. Lien retained to secure payment of purchase money. Bidders will be prepared to comply promptly with these terms.

Approximated debt, interest and cost \$978.37.

LEE WALLS, Commissioner.  
CARRIE L. DOWELL, Deputy.

## COMMISSIONER'S SALE.

Breckinridge Circuit Court, Kentucky.

Henry Walz, Executor of Henry J. Ballman, deceased, Plaintiff.

Against J. D. Hoogkins, Defendant.

By virtue of a Judgment and Order of Sale of Breckinridge Circuit Court, rendered at October term thereof, 1915, in the above cause, for the sum of three hundred and seventy-five dollars, (\$375), with interest at the rate of 6 per cent per annum from the 12th day of May, 1915, until paid, and all costs herein, I shall proceed to offer for sale at the Court House door in Hardinsburg, to the highest bidder, at Public Auction, on

Monday, the 27th day of December, 1915, at one o'clock p. m., or thereafter (being County Court day), upon a credit of six and twelve months, the following described property, to-wit:

Situated, lying and being in Breckinridge county, State of Kentucky, bounded and described as follows: Beginning at the Southwest corner opposite Joe Ballman's, in Fairleigh line, running eastward to Fairleigh's corner; thence still eastward to Eskridge and William O'Reilly's corner, then with the William O'Reilly's line to Ed O'Reilly's corner stone, then north 80 poles to a stone, corner stone in Jim Tucker's line; then westward with Jim Tucker's line to a 32 acre tract, belonging to Newsum estate, running straight to Tar Springs road, opposite Joe Ballman's place, then south 80 poles to the beginning, with Tar Springs road. The tract contains 26 acres and is an oblong square, being 4 acres wide at each end and 12 1/2 acres long, being the same land conveyed to defendant, J. D. Hoogkins, by Lee Walls, Master Commissioner of this court, date—day of—1911. Recorded in Commissioner's Deed Book—page—Breckinridge County Clerk's office.

Or sufficient thereof to produce the sums of money so ordered to be made. For the purchase price, the purchaser, with approved surety or securities, must execute bond, bearing legal interest from the day of sale until paid, and having the force and effect of a judgment. Lien retained to secure payment of purchase money. Bidders will be prepared to comply promptly with these terms.

Approximated debt, interest and cost, \$344.07.

LEE WALLS, Commissioner.  
Carrie L. Dowell, Deputy.

## COMMISSIONER'S SALE.

Breckinridge Circuit Court, Kentucky.

Chas. H. Drury, Guardian of Carrie D. Frakes, Piff.

Against Breckinridge County Fair Association, etc., Deft.

By virtue of a Judgment and Order of Sale of Breckinridge Circuit Court, rendered at October Term thereof, 1915, in the above cause, for the sum of \$1,200.00 with interest from Oct. 20, 1912, credited by \$72.00, paid December 22, 1913; also the further sum of \$1,200.00 with interest from Sept. 6th, 1913, with interest at the rate of 6 per cent per annum from the dates above named, until paid, and all costs herein. I shall proceed to offer for sale at the courthouse door in Hardinsburg, to the highest bidder, at public auction, on

Monday, the 27th day of December, 1915,

at one o'clock p. m., or thereafter (being County Court day), upon a credit of six, twelve and eighteen months, the following described property, to-wit:

A certain tract of land, consisting of about 43 acres, lying and being in Breckinridge county, State of Kentucky, and about one mile from the Town of Hardinsburg, on said land is situated one Grand Stand, Fair Stables, and other Fair buildings and improvements and is used and known as "The Fair Grounds" of said association. Said property having been conveyed to said association by C. V. Robertson, on 2nd day of May, 1909, by deed recorded in Deed Book 58, page 483, see said deed for metes and bounds—said deed recorded in Breckinridge County Clerk's Office, Hardinsburg, Kentucky. Or sufficient thereof to produce the sums of money so ordered to be made. For the purchase price, the purchaser, with approved surety or securities, must execute bond, bearing legal interest from the day of sale until paid, and having the force and effect of a judgment. Lien retained to secure payment of purchase money. Bidders will be prepared to comply promptly with these terms.

Approximated debt, interest and cost \$2,775.20.

LEE WALLS, Commissioner.  
CARRIE L. DOWELL, Deputy.

## COMMISSIONER'S SALE.

Breckinridge Circuit Court, Kentucky.

J. B. Richardson, Plaintiff.

Against Jabe Wilkerson and others, Dfts.

By virtue of a Judgment and Order of Sale of Breckinridge Circuit Court, rendered at May term thereof, 1915, in the above cause, for the sum of one hundred and fifty-four dollars, credited

by \$50 paid February 20, 1907; \$16.89 paid January 21, 1909; \$3 paid September 25, 1909; \$8 paid January 2, 1911; \$10 paid April 25, 1911; \$2.08 paid July 13, 1911; \$28.64 paid December 21, 1911, with interest at the rate of 6 per cent per annum from the 15th day of January, 1908, until paid, and all costs herein, I shall proceed to offer for sale at the Court House door in Hardinsburg, to the highest bidder, at Public Auction, on

Monday, the 27th day of December, 1915, at one o'clock p. m., or thereafter (being County Court day), upon a credit of six months, the following described property, to-wit:

A tract of land lying in Breckinridge county, State of Kentucky, on the waters of Sinking Creek, and is a part of the tract of land that James S. Simmons and Sophia Simmons, his wife, purchased of H. L. and Ella Hook and James Yutser, on the 15th day of November 1901, which is on record in the Breckinridge County Clerk's office in Deed Book No. 55, page 91, and for further reference see James Yutser deed, etc., and is bounded and described as follows, to-wit: Beginning at a stone thence N. 82 degrees E. 30 poles to a stone; thence N. 17 degrees E. 68 poles to a stone; thence N. 58 E. 53 1/2 poles to a stone; thence N. 68 degrees W. 30 poles to a stone; thence S. 13 degrees E. 100 poles to the beginning, containing 30 acres (thirty acres) more or less. Said real estate belonging exclusively to Silas Wilkerson and Abby Wilkerson. Same purchased of James S. Simmons and wife by deed dated November 19, 1904, recorded in Deed Book No. 55 at page 454, Breckinridge County Clerk's office.

Or sufficient thereof to produce the sums of money so ordered to be made. For the purchase price, the purchaser, with approved surety or securities, must execute bond, bearing legal interest from the day of sale until paid, and having the force and effect of a judgment. Lien retained to secure payment of purchase money. Bidders will be prepared to comply promptly with these terms.

Approximated debt, interest and cost, \$608.53.

LEE WALLS, Commissioner.

## COMMISSIONER'S SALE.

Breckinridge Circuit Court, Kentucky.

O. E. Floyd, etc., Plaintiff.

Against J. M. Crawford, etc., Dfts.

By virtue of a Judgment and Order of Sale of Breckinridge Circuit Court, rendered at October term thereof, 1915, in the above cause, for the sum of (\$3,400), thirty-four hundred dollars, with interest at the rate of 6 per cent per annum from the 15th day of October, 1914, until paid, and all costs herein, I shall proceed to offer for sale at the Court House door in Hardinsburg, to the highest bidder, at Public Auction, on

Monday, the 27th day of December, 1915, at one o'clock p. m., or thereafter (being County Court day), upon a credit of six months, the following described property, to-wit:

Beginning at a stone near a large chestnut tree at the northeast corner of the college campus and extending thence N. 77 E. 24 50 chains to a stake; thence S. 19 1/2 E. 7.90 chains to twin poplars; thence S. 36 E. 3.84 chains to a stone; thence S. 33 1/2 W. 27.34 chains to a stone near a gate; thence N. 53 1/2 W. 12.20 chains to a stake near walnut tree; thence N. 7 1/2 W. 19.88 chains to the beginning, containing in all 56 1/2 acres, and being the same lands conveyed by J. W. Hughes and wife to O. E. Floyd by deed dated November 29, 1911, and recorded in Deed Book 61, page 186 in the office of the County Court Clerk of Breckinridge county, Kentucky.

Or sufficient thereof to produce the sums of money so ordered to be made. For the purchase price, the purchaser, with approved surety or securities, must execute bond, bearing legal interest from the day of sale until paid, and having the force and effect of a judgment. Lien retained to secure payment of purchase money. Bidders will be prepared to comply promptly with these terms.

Approximated debt, interest and cost, \$3,709.80.

LEE WALLS, Commissioner.  
Carrie L. Dowell, Deputy.

## COMMISSIONER'S SALE.

Breckinridge Circuit Court, Kentucky.

R. S. Skillman, Plaintiff.

Against J. R. May, Defendant.

By virtue of a Judgment and Order of Sale of Breckinridge Circuit Court rendered at October Term thereof, 1914, in the above cause, for the sum of \$226.73 (Two Hundred and Twenty-Six Dollars and Seventy Three Cents.) Credited by \$72.00, paid Feb. 8th, 1915; also the further credit of \$35.00, paid March 9th, 1915, with interest at the rate of 6 per cent per annum from the 27th day of August, 1908, until paid, and all costs herein, I shall proceed to offer for sale at the courthouse door in Hardinsburg, to the highest bidder, at public auction on

Monday, the 27th day of December, 1915,

at one o'clock p. m., or thereafter (being County Court day), upon a credit six and twelve months, the following described property, to-wit:

A tract of land of 347 acres, beginning at a stone in Worsen Board's line, and corner to George Bandy's, running N. 35 1/2 W. 36.3 poles to a post oak, said Board's corner, in William Adkinson's line, then N. 56 1/2 E. 153 poles to white oaks, corner to Daniel Lane's and in Daniel Henderson's line, then S. 35 1/2 E. 363 poles to a hickory and post oak in said Lane's line, a corner to George Bandy's, then S. 56 1/2 W. 153 poles to the beginning. Skillman sold and conveyed to Milton Skillman 30 1/2 acres, which is bounded as follows: Beginning at a stone in Abner Adkinson's line and corner to the 12 acres sold by William Skillman to Geo. Scott, Sr., then with Scott's line S. 35 1/2 E. 45 poles to a stone between a hickory and black oak, then N. 58 1/2 110 poles to a stone and post oak, Daniel Lane's line, then with his line N. 35 1/2 W. 45 poles to two white oaks, Lane's corner, then S. 56 1/2 W. 110

poles to the beginning. Said William Skillman also sold out of said 347 acres to one Aaron Norton 132 1/2 acres, which is bounded as follows: Beginning at a post oak, Aaron Norton's corner, and running S. 66 1/2 W. 153 poles to a stone in the original line Skillman and English, then with said line S. 53 1/2 E. 30 poles to a certain lime stone with a large post oak as a pointer, then N. 56 1/2 E. 63 poles to a stone, then S. 35 1/2 E. 21 poles to a white oak on the side of the road, then N. 56 1/2 E. 4 poles to a stone, then S. 35 1/2 E. 21 poles to a white oak on the side of the road, then N. 56 1/2 W. 14 poles to a stone with a double black oak as a pointer, then S. 35 1/2 E. 59 1/2 poles to a stone, the corner of the one-fourth acre lot laid off as a graveyard, then with a line thereof N. 56 1/2 E. 7 poles to a stone, then S. 35 1/2 E. 6 poles to a stone, then S. 35 1/2 W. 7 poles to the beginning. Out of said 347 acres is excepted the further tract of 12 acres and 16 poles, which is bounded as follows: Beginning at a post oak in Adkinson's line, corner to A. S. English, then with his line S. 35 1/2 E. 45 poles to a rock and black oak, then N. 56 1/2 E. 44 poles to a rock, between a hickory and black oak, then N. 35 1/2 poles W. 45 poles to a rock in Adkinson's line in the road, then with his line S. 58 1/2 W. 44 poles to the beginning leaving to be conveyed herein 172 acres more or less and the amount to be sold herein taking out the above exceptions is 172 acres more or less. Or sufficient thereof to produce the sums of money so ordered to be made. For the purchase price, the purchaser, with approved surety or securities, must execute bond, bearing legal interest from the day of sale until paid, and having the force and effect of a judgment. Lien retained to secure payment of purchase money. Bidders will be prepared to comply promptly with these terms.

Approximated debt, interest and cost \$284.42.

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CARRIE L. DOWELL, Deputy.

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